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WINTER & SPRING

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UNPRECEDENTED is a word that has come to my mind a a lot in these past few weeks. Church has become live stream only. We venture out only for the necessities. All of this done in an effort to stem the spread of the coronavirus. Our lives have been interrupted. I've had a National championship in Homeschool basketball cancelled and I believe that my mission trip with 14 members from my congregation to Paraguay in May will almost certainly be cancelled. These inconveniences are minor compared to what many are going through, work places shut down and no paychecks coming in, not to mention those who have contacted the virus and some who have lost loved ones.

Yet in spite of all this it is a time of great opportunity for the believer to shine brightly in the darkness. It is a time to bear witness to the lost world of the peace that only God can give in uncertain days. I'm sure for you, like with me, hymns of trust and faith in God have been on my lips as I navigate this time with my family.



"In times like these I need an anchor. In times like these I need a Savior. Be very sure, be very sure your anchor holds and grips the solid rock."

"Many things about tomorrow I don't seem to understand, but I know who holds tomorrow and I know who holds my hand."

"Because HE LIVES I can face tomorrow, because HE LIVES all fear is gone, because I know HE HOLDS THE FUTURE my life is worth the living just because HE LIVES."

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The Psalms are a great comfort and reminder during these days that God is in control and He is our rock. Our faith needs to be anchored in the rock of Jesus Christ!

Psalms 62:2 is the Theme verse for our 2020 Family retreat at the ARC. Our theme for this year is appropriately titled:

“IN TIMES LIKE THESE...”

“He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken” Psalms 62:2

I'm prayerful that the summer missions trip to Hungary in August will still go forward, but in times like these nothing of these earthly events or timing is certain, as we well know.

The one person we can trust and rely on to always be there for us and never change is JESUS CHRIST and Him alone.

The Christian life does not promise us an easy road or that that everything will work out, as some false prosperity preachers claim. What the christian life does promise us is that in times like these, in times of uncertainty, in times of trial, ***JESUS IS ENOUGH.***

May you proclaim with great trust and deep faith that in times like these...

JESUS IS ENOUGH!

JESUS IS MORE THAN ENOUGH!

- Pastor Jonathan Unverzagt , Editor



The goal of Christian mission is not success, but faithful witness; not power, but proclamation; not technique, but truth; not method, but message.

— *Michael Horton* —

NEWS FROM EKE

(Lutherans for the Gospel)
in Hungary

MEET OUR 2020 LABOR DAY RETREAT MISSIONARIES



Adámi Johanna (35) & Horváth-Hegyí Áron (41)

Both of us – wife and husband – are from faithful protestant families. Johanna is from a family of nine (one of her sisters who was disabled died 3 years ago at the age of 28), Áron is from a family of eight. Church was our childhood's natural part – especially for Johanna whose father is a Lutheran pastor. At the moment both of our parents live in Nyíregyháza, in the eastern part of Hungary, more than 140 miles from our home. We moved to our present home (Sámsonháza, Nógrád county) five and a half years ago, when Áron was placed here (by the bishop and the congregation's call) for pastoral service. Before this he was the secretary for the bishop for five years in the capital and Johanna worked as a conductive education teacher (who develops motor-disordered children). The move was a big change although this calm and safe environment and the great garden is just ideal for our five kids: Ruben (10), Lea (8), Zoé (6), Lídia (4), Benjámín (2). They go to kindergarten and school in the nearby city (Pásztó) where we also manage our daily administrative and shopping duties. On the other hand we have our other congregation here to pastor and many religious education class to cope with.

We are really thankful for our kids whom we accept from God as gift and blessing. Our life is going in love and harmony. We are often amazed how much power and love we receive from God to fulfill parenthood, this such a responsible task. We know that without Him we would fail. As we are lack of daily human help we have to schedule and organize our days very carefully.

We have been married for over eleven years. One of our important Bible verse is from Ecc 4:12b: ***“A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.”*** This is engraved into our rings to be remembered how much we have to rely on God.

Our relationship with EKE is very close. Johanna has a longer past as she has been participating in different events since 1998 through her father. Áron joined in 2002 (through Johanna) and officially became member in 2017. It's such a joy to belong to a community where we are all brothers and sisters in Christ and where we can sincerely share our joys and sorrows too and serve God with one faith.

We trust and pray that we can represent the EKE community truly and worthily.



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Midwest: Now thru May

The kids have enjoyed a bit of snow after arriving in Wisconsin March 8th. Thad, Lisa and Jamie all want it to warm up, and Thea thinks snow is wonderful. Lord willing, we will be in the Midwest from now through the end of May.



Connecting without Spreading COVID-19??? We had been looking forward to seeing many of you in the Midwest. Now, due to concerns over the spread of the COVID-19, we realize that visiting in person with most of you right now is not recommended.

However, unlike when we are in Papua New Guinea, we have unlimited phone and internet at no additional cost to us. We would love to talk with you via phone, Skype, WhatsApp, or Facetime, please give us a call or send us an email and we can go from there.

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Finance update: Some have asked about our financial needs. Due to the loss of a few financial partners and increases in the cost of living, the budget established by Wycliffe for our work indicates a need for an increase by \$1000 per month before our planned return to Papua New Guinea in November. Please pray for God to meet this need in these days of financial uncertainty.

Please pray for us to walk by the Spirit and respond to His leading and promptings in this time of rapid change.

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Halverson Happenings

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We're here!

It was really special to have Lisa's sister, Shelly, come for a visit just before we left Papua New Guinea (PNG). It was lots of fun (and very helpful!) to have her along with us for the return trip to the USA. We enjoyed stopping off at a few places along the way to see the sights.



We spent our first week at Wycliffe headquarters in Orlando getting loved on and caught up on many new-to-us things. We arrived in Seattle, Washington Feb 20th to pick up the car we are renting from Righteous Rides, and drove over to the Tri-Cities. Up next we have eye doctor and dental appointments, as well as pulling out those coats and warm-weather clothes. We plan to head to Wisconsin March 4th for a three-month stay when we hope to see those of you in the Midwest.

Thank you for praying! We are blessed to have you as part of our amazing partnership team. You prayed for housing for us, and God connected us with a FURNISHED house in Wisconsin. You prayed for our travel, and God arranged for someone else to drive our vehicle around the snows of Wyoming (really—the highway was closed and they had to turn back). Instead we were able to pick the van up in Seattle, Washington, and drive over a dry Snoqualmie Pass to the Tri-Cities. You prayed for our kids as they travel and transitioned, and they've done amazingly well in spite of all four kids being sick with a fever early on in our trip.

Below is an overview of our current plans. We are looking forward to catching up!

March 4-9	drive from Washington to Wisconsin
March thru May	visiting partners in the Mid-West
June	trip thru the southwest on route to Washington
July thru October	visiting partners in the Pacific Northwest
Early November	return to PNG

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Greetings from NLM in Mongolia
By David Olson

I would first and foremost like to say that all of our Missionaries in Mongolia are doing well and we are thankful for all the prayer and support we receive from not only people in Norway but also from the U.S. and Hauge Foreign Mission. There is so much that is happening right now around the world with the corona virus but we must thank the Lord that we are all healthy in Mongolia and that He is with us in all we do each and every day. Isaiah 41: 10 "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

The corona virus has also affected daily life in Mongolia. The Mongolian government, already in January, took several large steps to prepare for this pandemic by closing all schools, churches, and public places. This has in fact been in affect the past two months and could continue for at least one more month. In addition there has been several times where the Mongolian government has restricted travel, which has meant that the NLM Mongolia Missionaries have been in quarantine for several weeks. This was even done when there were no confirmed cases in Mongolia during the January and February months. The corona virus has now been confirmed in Mongolia and we can assume the restrictions and closings will continue for a while.

For NLM Mongolia, we have tried to work as normal but with all the travel restrictions and closings av schools, churches and other public institutions it has been quiet in regards to our work. We have had several meetings cancelled and have even asked our employees to work from home.

But we have had some good news that we can thank the Lord for. Our new project, "Strengthening Children with Disabilities Development" (SCD) has received approval from NLM in Norway. This project aims at helping local parental organizations who deal with children with disabilities in providing better care for these children. So, we have begun with preparations for the implementation of project activities for the next five years. Again, we must thank the Lord that NLM has the opportunity to work with this important project in Mongolia.

We have also experience much joy in regards to Church work and evangelization even if Churches have been closed for the past two

months. We have especially seen the Lord work in the hearts of local believers in western Mongolia as there has been a renewed yearning to study and learn more from God's Word. Some of our Missionaries work directly with mentoring and teaching and even though it has been difficult to hold regular meetings because of the corona virus situation we have seen the thirsting for God's Word. John 6:35 "Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.'" Please continue to pray for Christians in Mongolia and for the Mongolian Evangelical Lutheran Church and the unreached people group that NLM works with in western Mongolia. Otherwise, we can report that in the midst of all this craziness with the corona virus we had 17 visitors from our NLM schools and organization in Norway during the last week of February and first week of January. NLM in Norway sends groups of students and teachers from their schools in Norway each year to visit the different mission areas to help bring back information to Norway. This is very important for both prayer and financial support. Amazingly the Lord opened doors so that they arrived in Khovd safely and departed from Mongolia again safely before any serious travel restrictions. These visits also give us Missionaries needed fellowship and encouragement.



So, NLM Mongolia, must continue to give praise and thanks to our Lord and Savior for all He has done for us and that He continues to watch over us.

Philippians 4:19 "And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus."





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Pastor Áron Horváth-Hegyí



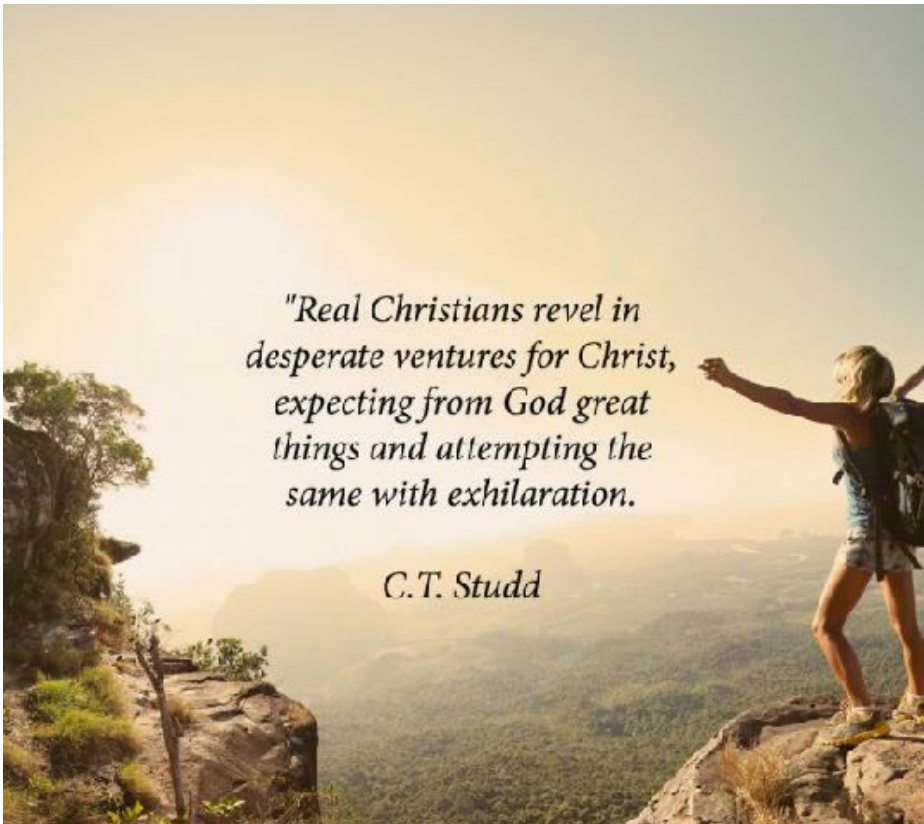
Every Christian is either a
missionary or an imposter.

Charles H. Spurgeon



"THE CROSS SHOWS
US THE SERIOUSNESS
OF OUR SIN —
BUT IT ALSO
SHOWS US THE
IMMEASURABLE
LOVE OF GOD."

BILLY GRAHAM



*"Real Christians revel in
desperate ventures for Christ,
expecting from God great
things and attempting the
same with exhilaration.*

C.T. Studd

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